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HOUSE BILL 2144

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 32, CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 32-2304.01; AMENDING SECTION 32-2319, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 32, CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 32-2320; AMENDING SECTION 32-2323, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Title 32, chapter 22, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 32-2304.01, to read:

32-2304.01. <u>Semiannual reports: termite action report:</u> reporting requirements

- A. THE COMMISSION SHALL SEMIANNUALLY SUBMIT A REPORT REGARDING THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF TERMITE TREATMENTS AS REPORTED ON TERMITE ACTION REPORTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 32-2304, SUBSECTION A AND SECTION 32-2323, SUBSECTION C. THE INFORMATION SHALL BE CATEGORIZED ACCORDING TO THE GENERAL TYPE OF TREATMENT USED, INCLUDING CHEMICAL, BAIT, MECHANICAL, TEMPERATURE AND OTHER METHODS OF TREATMENT. IF CHEMICAL TREATMENT IS USED THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE THE ACTIVE INGREDIENT OR TRADE NAME OF THE CHEMICAL USED.
- B. THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT THE REPORT TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE GOVERNOR AND PROVIDE A COPY OF THE REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA STATE LIBRARY, ARCHIVES AND PUBLIC RECORDS. THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT THE FIRST REPORT BY APRIL 30, 2002 FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2001 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2001.
- C. IF A BUYER OF REAL PROPERTY MAKES A REQUEST TO THE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSION SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE BUYER AN INFORMATION REPORT LISTING ALL TERMITE TREATMENTS REPORTED TO THE COMMISSION FOR THE PROPERTY FOR THE PREVIOUS THREE YEARS. THE WOOD INFESTATION REPORT AS DEFINED IN SECTION 23-2301 SHALL STATE THAT A BUYER MAY OBTAIN THE INFORMATION REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION.
 - Sec. 2. Section 32-2319, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 32-2319. Continuing education; advisory accreditation committee
- A. In order to satisfy continuing education requirements, a certified applicator or qualifying party shall verify attendance at programs of approved instruction which are designed to augment the proficiency of the certified applicator or qualifying party relating to structural pest control and which are approved by the commission.
- B. The commission shall appoint an advisory accreditation committee consisting of certified applicators, qualifying parties and public members. Subject to approval by the commission, the advisory accreditation committee shall establish and modify, as necessary, guidelines for evaluation of programs of instruction. On request for approval of a program of instruction the advisory accreditation committee shall evaluate the program of instruction. The commission may adopt, modify or refuse to adopt any recommendation made by the advisory committee. The commission shall not limit credit for programs of instruction on the basis of whether they are conducted by a chemical company or provided in professional association seminars or in-house education programs of business licensees.
- C. Commission staff may provide and conduct classes to train and assist licensees and their employees in preparation for certification

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 examinations. The commission may assess a fee for each class. Classes may be provided by commercial enterprises or accredited institutions.

- D. Commission staff shall provide and conduct eight hours of continuing education classes at least quarterly, with the intent of providing all credit hours necessary to ensure continuing education requirements in all categories for all certified applicators and licensees. Classes may be provided by commercial enterprises or accredited institutions under the supervision of commission staff. The commission may charge a fee for each credit hour.
- E. If one individual holds both a certified applicator certificate and a qualifying party qualification, the completion of a minimum of six hours of continuing education in the preceding year for the certified applicator certificate satisfies the continuing education requirements for both the certified applicator certificate and qualifying party qualification.
- F. CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS SHALL INCLUDE INSTRUCTION IN INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 32-2320.
- Sec. 3. Title 32, chapter 22, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 32-2320, to read:
 - 32-2320. <u>Integrated pest management; reporting requirement;</u> <u>quidelines; definition</u>
- A. THE COMMISSION SHALL PREPARE GUIDELINES FOR AN INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL PRACTICES.
 - B. THE GUIDELINES SHALL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:
 - 1. THE IDENTIFICATION OF PESTS.
- 2. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MONITORING AND RECORD KEEPING SYSTEM FOR REGULAR SAMPLING AND ASSESSMENT OF PEST POPULATIONS.
- 3. THE DETERMINATION OF THE PEST POPULATION LEVELS THAT CAN BE TOLERATED BASED ON AESTHETIC, ECONOMIC AND HEALTH CONCERNS AND SETTING ACTION THRESHOLDS IF PEST POPULATIONS OR ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS WARRANT REMEDIAL ACTION.
- 4. THE PREVENTION OF PEST PROBLEMS THROUGH IMPROVED SANITATION, THE MANAGEMENT OF WASTE, THE ADDITION OF PHYSICAL BARRIERS AND THE MODIFICATION OF HABITATS THAT ATTRACT OR HARBOR PESTS.
- 5. THE RELIANCE ON NONTOXIC, BIOLOGICAL, CULTURAL OR MECHANICAL PEST MANAGEMENT METHODS OR ON THE USE OF NATURAL CONTROL AGENTS.
- 6. THE USE OF CHEMICAL PESTICIDES, IF NECESSARY, WITH PREFERENCE FOR PRODUCTS THAT ARE THE LEAST HARMFUL TO HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT.
- C. THE COMMISSION SHALL REPORT ANNUALLY ON THE PROGRESS OF IMPLEMENTING THE GUIDELINES TO THE GOVERNOR, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SHALL PROVIDE A COPY OF THE REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA STATE LIBRARY, ARCHIVES AND PUBLIC RECORDS.
- D. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT" MEANS A SUSTAINABLE APPROACH TO MANAGING PESTS BY COMBINING BIOLOGICAL,

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CULTURAL, PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL TOOLS IN A WAY THAT MINIMIZES ECONOMIC, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS.

- Sec. 4. Section 32-2323, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 32-2323. Wood-destroying pests or organisms: treatment proposal
- A. A business licensee shall not commence work on a contract or sign, issue or deliver any documents expressing an opinion or making a statement relating to the presence or absence of wood-destroying pests or organisms in a structure until an inspection is made. A business licensee shall prepare a treatment proposal on a form approved by the commission and shall deliver a copy of the treatment proposal to the person requesting the proposal, or the person's designated agent, before beginning treatment. A licensee shall also give to the person requesting a proposal a written recommendation that verifies a particular problem and in addition to the licensee's recommendation for treatment shall advise the person of alternative treatments and methods, INCLUDING INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 32-2320, to alleviate the problem. A treatment proposal shall not be in the same form or be construed as a wood infestation report. A treatment proposal which does not identify infestation by a wood-destroying pest or organism is not a binding statement as to the presence or absence of wood-destroying pests or organisms.
- B. A treatment proposal shall be prepared by a qualifying party or a certified applicator who has received at least five hours of instruction from the commission or an in-house education program of a business licensee on the subject of termite inspections. An examination on the instruction is not required.
- C. If a business licensee performs a treatment pursuant to a treatment proposal, the business licensee shall maintain a record of the treatment and the type and quantity of the chemical used.
- D. No business licensee may issue any guarantee for subterranean termites relating to a spot treatment of a structure for sale or involved in refinancing unless the licensee has first treated the entire structure. In the case of a privately owned dwelling with walls common to another privately owned dwelling, the licensee may issue the guarantee after treating the single privately owned dwelling in its entirety except for adjoining walls which are inaccessible due to refusal of adjoining occupants to allow access to the technician.

Sec. 5. <u>Study committee on the structural pest control</u> commission; membership; review; report

- A. The study committee on the structural pest control commission is established to review and make recommendations on the comprehensiveness of the reporting requirements for treatments for termites and other wood destroying organisms and the impacts on the structural pest control commission's funding requirements.
 - B. The study committee shall be comprised of the following members:

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- 1. Two members of the house of representatives who are appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and who are members of different political parties.
- 2. Two members of the senate who are appointed by the president of the senate and who are members of different political parties.
- 3. Two industry members who hold current active licenses from the structural pest control commission, one each appointed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives.
- 4. One member of the structural pest control commission who is appointed to the commission by the governor pursuant to section 32-2302, subsection A, paragraphs 2 or 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, who is appointed by the commission.
- C. The study committee shall report its findings and recommendations on or before December 15, 2001, to the governor, the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives and provide a copy of the report to the secretary of state and the director of the Arizona state library, archives and public records.

Sec. 6. Repeal

Section 5 of this act relating to the interim study committee on the structural pest control commission, is repealed on January 15, 2002.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR MAY 4, 2001.

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